

CLAIMS

1. A method for identifying desired information in a network, said method comprising the steps of:

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a) providing a network holding or representing information at a plurality of addresses,

b) providing a URL, said URL being expected to be associated with a desired document in the network at which desired information is expected to be represented,

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c) performing a first search so as to locate the desired document using the provided URL, and

d) automatically performing a second search using at least part of the provided URL in

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order to generate one or more URL's, each of said one or more URL's being associated with a document in the network.

2. A method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of displaying the generated URL's if the desired document is not located.

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3. A method according to claim 2 further comprising the step of selecting at least one of the generated one or more URL's.

4. A method according to claim 1, wherein the first and second search is performed

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essentially simultaneously.

5. A method according to claim 1, wherein the first and second search is performed sequentially.

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6. A method according to claim 1, wherein the network forms part of the Internet.

7. A method according to claim 1, wherein the desired document comprises a web page.

8. A method according to claim 1, wherein the URL is provided using an Internet browser.

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9. A method according to claim 1, wherein the network comprises a client machine, a service provider and a server containing a searchable database.

10. A method according to claim 9, wherein the client machine initiates the first and
5 second search.

11. A method for identifying desired information in a network, said method comprising the steps of:

- 10 a) providing a network holding or representing information at a plurality of addresses,
- b) providing a URL, said URL being expected to be associated with a desired document in the network at which desired information is expected to be represented,
- 15 c) providing a browser being adapted to perform a first search so as to locate the desired document using the provided URL, and
- d) providing a search engine being adapted to automatically perform a second search using at least part of the provided URL in order to generate one or more URL's, each of
20 said one or more URL's being associated with a document in the network.

12. A method according to claim 11 further comprising the step of displaying the generated one or more URL's if the desired document is not located.

25 13. A method according to claim 12 further comprising the step of selecting at least one of the generated one or more URL's.

14. A method according to claim 11, wherein the first and second search is performed essentially simultaneously.

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15. A method according to claim 11, wherein the first and second search is performed sequentially.

16. A method according to claim 11, wherein the network forms part of the Internet.

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